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In re Application of :
Prasad DEVARAJAN et al. : Confirmation No. 2792
Serial No.: 10/811,130 : Group Art Unit 1641
Filed: March 26, 2004 : Examiner: FOSTER, Christine E.
METHOD AND KIT FOR DETECTING THE EARLY ONSET OF RENAL TUBULAR CELL
INJURY

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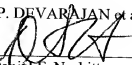
Submitted concurrently with this paper is a Supplemental Information Disclosure Statement (IDS) that includes an unsolicited communication that Applicants' attorney has received from the law firm of Gifford, Krass, et al., containing a document entitled "PROTEST FILED UNDER 37 C.F.R. 1.291; AND ALTERNATIVELY, THIRD-PARTY CITATION OF PRIOR ART CITED UNDER 35 U.S.C. 301", pertaining to Applicants' patent application.

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Respectfully submitted,

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